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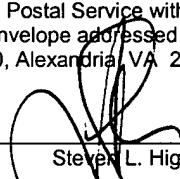
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Re: *U.S. Patent Application No. 09/981,682 entitled "METHOD OF INHIBITING VIRAL INFECTION USING HMG-COA REDUCTASE INHIBITORS AND ISOPRENYLATION INHIBITORS" by Barney Scott Graham et al.*
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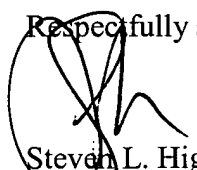
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In re Application of:

Barney GRAHAM, Tara GOWER, and,
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Serial No.: 09/855,612

Filed: October 16, 2001

For: METHOD OF INHIBITING VIRAL
INFECTION USING HMG-COA
REDUCTASE INHIBITORS AND
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Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated April 9, 2003, for which the three-month date for response is July 9, 2003. It is believed that no fee is due; however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct said fees from Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. Deposit Account No.: 50-1212/VBLT:003US/SLH. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.